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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO.

TOPIC Movements of Soviet Troop Trains

REMARKS

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1. According to the record of the 6th Subdistrict Office of the Berlin railroad district, the following empty railroad cars were to be assembled for loading at the following railroad stations between 11 and 26 October 1951:

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Date	Number of Cars	Railroad Station	Remarks
11 October	14 flatcars	Wilhelmsruh	-
	37 boxcars and 22 flatcars	Neuruppin	For transit purposes
12 October	50 flatcars	Gloewen near Wittenberge	-
15 October	6 converted box-cars	Oranienburg	-
	21 boxcars	Toopchin	For transit purposes (2)
	15 boxcars	Mulkow	For transit purposes (2)
24 October	63 flatcars	Rathenow	- (3)
	30 flatcars	Dallgow-Doeberitz	- (3)
	25 flatcars and 16 SS-type flatcars	Grossbehnitz	-
	25 SS-type flatcars, 6 S-type flatcars, 28 gondola cars, 37 flatcars	Rathenow-Nord	-

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25 October	140 cars	Rathenow	-	(3)
	7 SSY-type flat-cars	Rathenow-Nord	-	(3)
	14 SSY-type flat-cars	Gross-Mudicke		Cars belonging to a train unloaded in Grahnsburg (3)
	2 converted boxcars and 3 flatcars			

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26 October	100 cars	Rathenow	-	
	30 flatcars	Ketschendorf		for transit purposes (2)

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2. On 19 October, a troop train of 45 boxcars with soldiers wearing light-blue epaulets, was observed at Frankfurt/Oder. It came from the direction of Cuben and proceeded toward Eberswalde.
3. At about 5 p.m. on 21 October, a troop train of 1 coach, 5 boxcars, 12 flatcars, and 8 SS-type flatcars with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 16 artillery pieces of 120-mm to 210-mm, and an undetermined number of motor vehicles was observed between Allwitzhafen and Dessau, proceeding toward Dessau. The vehicles included 12 trucks, which were loaded with logs, boards, poles, pipes and wire. (4)
4. On 26 October, an infantry unit was loaded on 33 boxcars at the Pasewalk railroad station and left for an unknown destination. The assembling of 30 boxcars for the loading of troops in Prenzlau and Eberswalde was ordered on the same day. (5)
5. On 26 and 27 October, two trains of 56 and 53 empty boxcars, respectively, were observed at Euerstein-Fietz, proceeding from Frankfurt/Oder to Euerstein. (6)
6. On 27 October, a troop train of 36 cars with soldiers, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, AA guns and trucks was observed on the Cuben-Frankfurt/Oder-Berlin railroad line. On the same day, 24 prime movers and 1 tank, dispatching station unknown, were unloaded at the eastern ramp of the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. (7)
7. At 10 a.m. on 27 October, a troop train with soldiers, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, passed through Pasewalk and proceeded toward Prenzlau. The train included 18 flatcars with trucks, and 9 SSY-type flatcars with tanks marked on the turret with a white circle containing a white cross. (8)
8. At 12 p.m. on 27 October, a troop train, which stopped at the Eberswalde railroad station, was headed toward Prenzlau and consisted of 45 boxcars and flatcars with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and 10 to 12 trucks with AT guns. (3)
9. Between 23 and 27 October, source observed intensive loading operations at Templin and extensive unloading operations at Prenzlau. (8)

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Comments.

- (1) According to other information, the train left Lichtenberg at 9:20 p.m. on 11 October to pick up the unidentified fighter regiment in Neuruppin for shipment to the U.S.S.R. 25X1A
- (2) The cars were probably used for hauling ammunition and equipment to the U.S.S.R.
- (3) The empty cars possibly were used to transport units, which have been participating in the maneuvers in the Stendal-Bathenow-Genthin area since about 20 October. An AT artillery unit of the 25th Tank Div, which probably used these cars, was loaded at the Grossbehnitz railroad station on 24 October. 25X1A

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- (4) indicates that the train carried a component of the 6th Arty Div.
- (5) Since the alleged troop trains consisted of boxcars exclusively, they may have served for the repatriation of discharges rather than the hauling of troop units.
- (6) The trains probably proceeded eastward and were used for hauling additional recruits from the U.S.S.R.
- (7) The troop train, which went toward Berlin, probably carried a component of the unidentified AAA division of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army from Fuerstenwalde. The troops unloaded in Frankfurt/Oder probably were components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div coming from Lieberose. Compare with information by

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the arrival of components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div in Frankfurt/Oder on and after 13 October. 25X1A

- (8) The trains observed in Pasewalk, Prenzlau and Templin carried component units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army from the Templin training area to their home stations.

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The troop train which, according to the present report, was observed in Pasewalk, carried a component of the 25th Tank Div, which was probably to be unloaded in Prenzlau.

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